Phillips County Commissioner Meeting Minutes¹ January 18, 2022

The board held a work session with Road and Bridge Supervisor Mike Salyards and Assistant Supervisor Kevin Scott prior to the meeting.

Call to order

Chairman Timm called to order the meeting of the Phillips County Commissioners and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 a.m. on January 18, 2022, at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting room.

Attendees

Chairman Tom Timm, Commissioners Garold Roberts and Terry Hofmeister, County Administrator Laura Schroetlin, Assistant Administrator Nici Akey, and County Clerk Beth Zilla.

Additional Attendees

Janelle Krueger, Tim Becker, Victoria Dunker, Jessie Stewart, Stephanie Starkebaum, Dan Waln, Lonny Vernon, Jesse Hopkins-Hoel.

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

None presented

Approval of Consent Agenda

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Consent Agenda Items:

- a. Approval of the minutes of the BOCC 01.10.2022 regular meeting
- b. Approval of the minutes of the BOCC 01.10.2022 reorganization meeting
- c. Approval of the A/P invoice lists (2021, 2022)
- d. Approval of the Veterans Service Officer monthly report
- e. Acknowledge receipt of monthly financial reports
- f. Acknowledge receipt of TV Service Log for December
- g. Acknowledge receipt of Mobile Food Pantry report
- h. Acknowledge receipt of Event Center/BOC Pavilion rental agreements
- i. Acknowledge receipt of Event Center/BOC Pavilion rental annual reports

Public Comments

City of Holyoke Recreation Director Victoria Dunker and Tim Becker met with the board to discuss their upcoming event, Showdown of the Plains, at the Bank of Colorado Pavilion, on January 28th, 29th and 30th.

Appointments

The board met with CSU Agent Jessie Stewart for her monthly updates. Stephanie Starkebaum introduced herself to the board as the new Phillips County Family and Consumer Education Agent.

The board met with Maintenance Supervisor Dan Waln and Fairground Maintenance Supervisor Lonny Vernon for an update on ongoing projects. The roofing project at the DHS building should be completed in two weeks, barring weather delays.

The board met with Jesse Hopkins-Hoel Chief Development Officer for National Renewable Solutions (NRS). Hopkins-Hoel discussed two wind projects that would affect Phillips County: Overland Pass Energy East and Overland Pass Energy West. Due to the moratorium on the processing of permits related to the construction of any wind farm system or facility within Phillips County, which is set to expire on April 19, 2022, wind farm applications are not currently being accepted. The Planning Commission is working on wind regulations that will be presented to the public in the near future. The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) would then accept the recommended regulations as presented or send the regulations back to the Planning Commission to reconsider specific points outlined by the BOCC.

Old Business

There was no old business.

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Motions/ New Business

The board agreed that Reservationist Carrie Anderson can sign non-alcoholic Event Center/BOC Pavilion Rental Agreements. Any reservation that is atypical will need to be approved by the County Administrator. Requests for a rental fee discount would come to the BOCC for its approval.

Roberts made a motion to approve the designation of Tom Timm to serve as proxy on behalf of Phillips County to the CCI Legislative Committee during the 2022 session. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The board reviewed the Covid paid sick leave information provided by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE).

The board discussed the Meet N Eat vehicle which is owned by Phillips County.

The board discussed and signed the CDOT HUTF annual report.

The board discussed office space for the Veterans Service Officer Jeremy Kilpatrick. Akey will speak further to PC Economic Development Director regarding sharing that office space and report back at the next meeting.

Adjournment

Chairman Timm adjourned the meeting at 12:09 P.M.

Minutes submitted by County Clerk Beth Zilla

Next meeting is scheduled for January 31, 2022.

Phillips County Commissioners:

Tom Timm

Garold Roberts

Attest:

Beth Zilla, County Clerk